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November 1, 2026 | 11:00 | Traditional Worship

ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

WELCOME

Assisted listening devices are available in the sound booth.

PRELUDE

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God Music by Michael Burkhardt

† CALL TO WORSHIP

† *Indicates the congregation should stand.*

L: What kind of love has God given us?
P: A love that proclaims we are God's very own.

L: What kind of promise has God given us?
P: God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

L: What kind of future has God given us?
P: God will lead us to springs of life-giving water.

L: Blessing and glory,
P: Wisdom and thanksgiving.

L: Honor and power and might
P: be to our God, forever and always!

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN 709

Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above FOREST GREEN

† PRAYER

Everlasting God, in the beginning there was You. Since then, You have made Yourself known to us through ancestors, siblings in faith, and loved ones who have left us. We remember each of the many saints who touched our lives and, however imperfectly, showed us Your way of love. Keep us in the great cloud of their witness, that we may be guided by them and by You, now and forever. Amen.

† PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

God makes peace within us; let us claim it. God makes peace between us; let us share it. Let us greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

L: The peace of Christ is here among us.
P: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Women's Chorale

I've Got Peace Like a River — Music by Audrey Snyder

I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got love wide as an ocean in my soul. I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of every generation, as we remember the saints who have gone before us, open our hearts to hear Your Word with faith and gratitude. May the witness of those who loved and served You inspire us to do the same. Through Your Spirit, speak to us of hope beyond the grave, of courage in the present moment, and of Your faithfulness that endures forever. Illumine Your truth in us today, that we may walk as Your saints in the world. Amen.

† GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

[1]When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2]And he began to speak and taught them, saying: [3]"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [4]"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. [5]"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. [6]"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. [7]"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. [8]"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. [9]"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. [10]"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [11]"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12]Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

SERMON

Qualified to Be a Saint? Pastor Markus Wegenast

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

OFFERTORY

Covenant Choir

The Journey Home Music by Craig Courtney

We walk by faith and not by sight, this life, a winding journey home. Although at times the path is dark, we do not travel it alone. There is no cause for fear or dread. The Spirit knows what lies ahead, remaining faithful by our side, an ever-present help and guide. Alleluia. We know in part; we dimly see as through a darkened glass, yet we shall know as we are known, our vision clear at last. What waits for us beyond the veil lies hidden from our sight in mystery until the time we cross into its light. Our journey does not go unseen by those who stand on heaven's shore. They do not sleep. They watch and wait, the saints who traveled here before. Like them, we too will run the race and meet the Savior face to face inside the new Jerusalem, our homeward journey an end! Alleluia.

† DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

† INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

† CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence

L: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

† THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

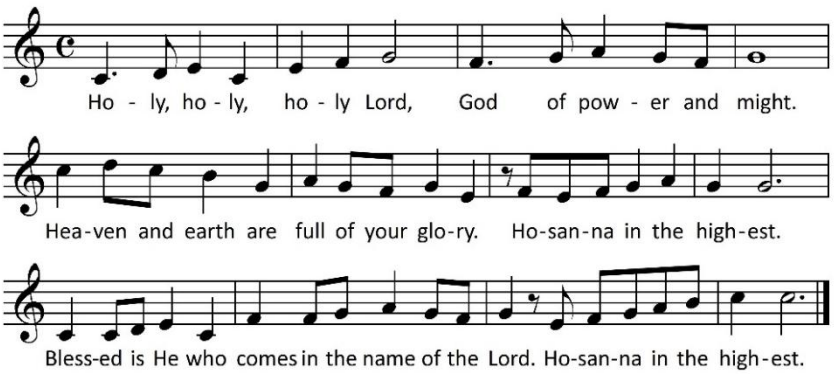
L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth....And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:



Congregation is seated

Holy are You and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ....And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine....

Members of Church of the Saviour

Charles Abbott	Wayne McKee	Lois Sprigg
Luauna Brougher	Karin McLennan	Michael Walker
Betsy Buck	Richard Ritter	

Loved Ones

Betty Browning	Joan Ida Guthrie	Lawrence Romer
Diana Carpenter	Ralph Hess	Margaret Shardelow
Gloria Cook	John Isakson	Carol Stapleton
Dottie Jo Fang	Albert Paul Meisman	Gerald Tremaine
Cooper Zachary Fang	Diane Norris	Bill Weier
Frank Fiori	William Ralston	Shirley Woock

Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in Your holy Church, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery, in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GO FORTH WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† RECESSIONAL HYMN 711

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE
vv. 1–3, 6

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

Rise Up, O Saints of God Music by Michael Burkhardt

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IN WORSHIP TODAY

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Markus Wegenast, *Senior Pastor*
Owen Wegenast, *Acolyte*
Abel Tyler and Leslie Payne, *Lay Readers*
Joe Galyon, *Director of Worship and Arts*
Moyue Zhou, *Staff Pianist*
Women's Chorale, Covenant Choir, Gayley Hautzenroeder (cello), *Musicians*
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Gordon Stokely, *Presentation Operator*

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